

MAUMEE EXPRESS.

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We have been obliged to omit a considerable quantity of matter prepared for this paper, owing to the pressure of advertisements. We intend, as soon as we can make the requisite arrangements, to enlarge our sheet, and (as a down-east Editor once said,) "enlarge" our type.

We have been requested to state, that the charge against the whigs of this place, of attempting to create a division in the ranks of the whig party in this county, by calling an opposition meeting in this place, after a county meeting had been called in Toledo, is untrue, the Toledo Blade to the contrary notwithstanding. We have not been able to lay our hands upon the documents, but we have been informed by those who were instrumental in the matter, that the first call for a county meeting originated in this place, and that it was followed by the Toledo notice, which fixed a time for the meeting, previous to the one specified in the other. If such be the state of facts, the charge of dishonour lies at the door of the people of Toledo.

By the politeness of N. Allen Esq. we have been favored with the report of the Chief Engineer on the Ohio Rail Road. We are not at present prepared to say much on this subject, as there are some things yet to take place, on the determination of which, our interest in the matter hinges. Wherever the road may terminate, or by what route sever it may be made to terminate at any point on the Maumee river, of one thing we are certain, it will bring with it greater improvement to this country, than any other improvement, with the exception of the Wabash and Erie Canal.

SHIP PLANTERS, &c.—The Perryburg man is quite rabid upon the subject of the ship plant currency, and is in half pint of troubles, for fear it will drive all the specie from circulation. Drive the specie from circulation! Well done! Why a ship is a curiosity even now, and a "levy" is as great a rarity as a Queen Anne's farthing, and with the exception of an antediluvian half pistorian, which we have preserved for a pocket piece, silver has not greeted our eyes for a long, long time. Oh the days when we were young, when a fourpence half penny, and a training, were in our young mind, linked inseparably together, and when a longing for gingerbread was associated with a proud feeling of ability wherewithal to negotiate for the purchase of the same! Alas! Give us any thing that, like the currency of the renowned Timothy Jenkins, will go at the grocers—any thing that will stop the mouths of duns—any thing that will fill a lean and attenuated pocket book—any thing, even, that we can offer, if it is not taken. Don't let us quarrel about squibs, when the whole country sits upon a mountain of gunpowder.

We understand that the Irish laborers on the Canal, are taking measures for the formation of a society, for the purpose of raising funds for the support and medical attendance of those among them who shall be taken sick, and for the interment of the dead. It is a noble and praiseworthy undertaking, and if properly carried into effect, will be the cause of doing much good, both to those who are reduced to sickness, and to those who are thus induced to give a portion of their pittance to assist the poor, and raise up the broken down. It is blessed to receive, but far more blessed to give.

There is also to be established among the same class, a society for the cultivation of a reform in morals, an enterprise equally praiseworthy and beneficial.

THE ANTHONY WAYNE.—This new steam packet made her experiment trip yesterday afternoon, having on board a crowd of the citizens of Perryburg and Maumee City. We have not room to give a minute description of this splendid boat, but shall in the course of a week or two endeavor to satisfy all enquiries on the subject. She is of about four hundred tons burthen, with a powerful high pressure vertical engine, capable of driving her with a speed equal to that of, probably, any boat upon Lake Erie. In regard to her accommodations we can safely say, that they are unsurpassed by those of any boat with which we are acquainted. She has 114 berths, a large number of which are double;—her Ladies Cabin is a large saloon, without berths, opening upon either guard, and connected by doors with a range of elegant state-rooms upon each side. She is commanded by Capt. Amos Pratt of Miami city. We are no judges of the mysteries of ship carpentry, but if we may be permitted, we would say that Mr. Samuel Hubbell, the builder of the Wayne, has good cause to be proud of this noble vessel, which he has just completed, and that he has given good evidence of skill and judgment in his business.

The steamboat Sheldon Thompson, Capt. Walker, visited this place yesterday morning. She is in future to ply regularly between this place and Cleveland. Success to her, and may she be as profitable to her owners, as she will be convenient to us.

We are pleased to learn that labor is soon to be recommenced on the large brick hotel, and that a large amount of funds has been pledged by the company, to be expended in and about it. This stupendous edifice in point of size, location, and architectural display is an ornament to the western country of which it may well be proud. The bank in front of it, as far down as the Key Tract, so called, has been donated to the city, upon certain conditions, specifying the manner in which it shall be improved for a public park. This will add much to the beauty of the already beautiful scenery.

We would recommend to our citizens, the immediate organization of a fire company, as an object worthy of their serious consideration. As yet, we understand, the necessary apparatus, of buckets, hooks and ladders, is not procured. Let this be done by liberal subscription, a company formed, and our contiguity to the river is, and to the canal when completed will be such, as to almost supercede the necessity of an engine, in the very worst extremity.

ANOTHER FACT FOR CONTRACTORS.—The men employed on the Canal by one of the contractors struck a few evenings since because they were not allowed the use of liquor. They urged as a reason for their refusal, longer to work, on this account, that the employers on the sections, on either side of them furnished their hands with this article. If all would refuse to supply liquor, these difficulties would not happen. We are pleased to state that the contractor alluded to, settled with his hands, and let them go.

We call the attention of the readers of our paper to a notice in our columns by Col. McElvain, superintendent of Ottawa Emigration. The spirit of moderation and kindness which it breathes, should be felt and appreciated by all who have either the interests of the country, or those of a fallen and degraded race of beings at heart. Comment is unnecessary to those who read, and all should do so.

Edwin Forrest has lately married a Miss Sinclair, daughter of a Theatrical Manager in London. Oh! the great American actor! Oh! the great National Tragedian. The fellow is trudging industriously in the foot-steps of Nat P. Willis, and they both have about as much claim to American Nationality as a London Cockney, who has passed his life within the sound of the Bow-bells.

Is it a Feeler, or a Random Shot?—The editor of the Tiffin Gazette says, that, Andrew Jackson has been called the author of the pet bank system and Martin Van Buren of the safety fund system, and that either of them are better than the American System of Henry Clay. He will live to see the contrary proved, to a demonstration, and to feel it too, if he does not get an office and grow rich on the spoils.

The heroic deeds of the chivalrous Governor Mason during the war between Ohio and Michigan, are becoming a fruitful source of remark in the latter State. There are a great many funny things which might be said upon that affair, and we know of nothing that could furnish so fruitful a theme for the sketches of an Irving or the caricatures of a Cruik shank.

We understand that the large steam mill recently erected at Marengo, is in operation, and that the lumber is used in the upbuilding the town as fast as sawed. Great improvements are to be made in this place another season.

The Schooner "Western Trader," was capsized, in a gale, off the mouth of Black River, on the night of the 8th inst. The Captain and hands were taken off by the Steamboat Commodore Perry, and landed at Huron.

The Hon. P. G. Goode, the representative in Congress from this district passed through this place on Tuesday last, on his way to Washington, to attend the extra Session.

Counterfeit English Shillings are said to be in circulation in this neighborhood, in considerable quantities.

Mr. White's music school, Monday evening at the ware house.

We extract from the Miami of the Lake an amusing sketch, entitled "Swamponia," which is well worth reading, by

those who have traversed the Black Swamp on foot and carried a rail on their backs for the purpose of prying out the stage coach in which they had taken passage. We could wish, that for once, the roads to our seat of Government, from all parts of the State might run through the Maumee Swamp, that our honorable legislators might, in one instance, at least, come fresh from the soil, if not "fresh from the people." There would then, be energetic action, in the matter, if not upon it.

SWAMPONIA.—A TRAGEDY IN ONE ACT.

By Theodore Theodore, Mudhen E. q. F. R. S., L. L. D., D. D., &c. &c.

DRAMATIS PERSONE.
Gov. Lucas. Mr. Philpot.
Mr. Loom. Mr. Quicksand.
Driver.

Scene.—MAUMEE TURNPIKE.

Mr. Philpot. Gov. shall I help you with that rail?

Gov. If you please.

Mr. P. Do you think we will be able to feel the wagon from the land?

Gov. It is rather doubtful.

Mr. P. Now let's thrust it down and see.

Gov. I think it must be farther ahead, those bubbles there, must be caused by the horses breathing. Poor fellows I pity them.

Mr. Loom. Do you feel any thing?

Gov. No: we can't reach far enough out.

Driver. We must make a raft.

Gov. All hands take hold and make a raft. It is the only alternative.

Mr. Loom. There are four dead horses floating near, I think we had better use them, they appear quite buoyant.

Gov. That's a good suggestion. We will lay rails across them, and then by floating into the middle of the puddle, I think we shall be able to fish up the trunks.

Mr. Quicksand. Let's sit down and calculate.

Mr. L. Sit down on what?

Mr. P. On our fist.

Gov. It's no time to calculate now. I would as soon think of sitting down if there was an army of Wolverines at my heels.

Mr. Q. I should think Gov. you would prefer filing to fishing in the mud puddle.

Gov. Well, I am not over anxious about doing either, but when a million of freemen call upon me, to lead them to glory, of course one can't refuse.

Mr. P. Come, come, this glorification business won't buy our children frocks, we must make the raft soon, or we shall never find our baggage.

They proceed and finish the raft.

Gov. The raft is now ready; we must now contrive something to fish with.

Mr. L. Necessity is the mother of invention, it is an old saying, and I believe it to be a true one, at any rate we can now have an opportunity of putting our inventive powers into operation.

Mr. P. I think we had better lash one of our boots to the end of this rail.

Gov. That will do; here take my pocket handkerchief and tie it on.

Mr. L. Now push out, and we will bob in for feels.

Gov. Do you feel any thing Mr. Philpot?

Mr. P. Yes, I have something hooked on the boot, but it feels rather light.

Gov. Pull away.

Mr. P. Here it comes.

Mr. L. It is nothing but a string of dried apples.

Gov. Try it again, Mr. P.

Mr. Q. Have you got any thing this time?

Mr. P. Yes I have something that feels heavy this time.

Gov. Heavens! it's a corpse, a child, poor thing we must bury it.

Mr. P. Had we not better find our trunks first? its getting late, and it will be dark before we get the child buried.

Mr. L. Let the trunks go, if we fish there any longer, we will have a years work on hand in paying up sextons.

Gov. If there are any more dead bodies here, it is our duty to fish them out.

Mr. P. Let them fish them out who put them in.

Gov. I hope you dont accuse any one of so base an act.

Mr. P. Not directly.

Gov. I don't understand you.

Mr. P. Why I have this much to say about it, if the Legislature of the State of Ohio did not put them in here, it was through their negligence that they have lost their lives.

Gov. Mr. Philpot, this is not exactly poetry, but it is the truth, I will do what I can towards mending the matter for the future. I will recommend the matter stoutly in my next message the necessity of improving this road. It is a disgrace to the State.

EXT.

The Gov. kept his word, but the Legislature did not do their duty.

At a Whig convention of delegates from the townships of Lucas county, held at the schoolhouse in Maumee City, Aug. 12, 1837, Doct. Horatio Conant was called to the chair, and Jonathan Wood appointed secretary.

On motion of Doct. Oscar White.

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to report to this meeting

the number of delegates to send to the senatorial convention at Lima, and representative convention at Defiance, and nominate suitable persons for said delegation.

Doct O. White, Philo Scott Esq. Hon. James Wolcott, Capt. W. Hamilton and O Shaw were chosen for said committee, who, after having retired for a short time, reported the names of the following persons, viz:

Port Lawrence.—Geo. W. Way, Wm. P. Daniels, Platt Card, Abner Jessup, Levi S. Loundsbury, and Wm. Martin.

Waterville.—G. W. Abells, Welcome Pray.

Maumee.—R. A. Forsyth, Oscar White.

Miami.—Jas. Wolcott, Henry Reed.

Springfield.—W. Hamilton.

Swan Creek.—Stephen Barrett.

York.—Uriel Spencer.

Which report was accepted.

On motion, Daniel Wells and Jonathan Wood were added to said delegation.

On motion, Resolved, That a Central committee of five be appointed, whose duty shall be in addition to the usual duties performed by such committees, to fill vacancies that may occur in the delegation to Lima and Defiance, and appoint such other delegates as they may think necessary in the unrepresented townships.

R. A. Forsyth, James Wolcott, Oscar White, E. F. Kirtland, and Elisha Mack, were chosen for said Committee.

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to make a nomination for county officers at this meeting.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be signed by the Chairman and Secretary, and be published in the Maumee Express.

Resolved, That this meeting be dissolved.

H. CONANT, Chm'n.

JONATHAN WOOD, Sec'y.

FOUR DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

The packet ship Montreal, arrived at New York on Saturday night, bringing London dates to the 27th June. We quote a few items from the second edition of the New York Sunday Morning News, dated at half past 12 o'clock yesterday morning.

In the house of commons yesterday, (26th) on motion of Lord John Russell, the following resolution was read and carried: "That a select committee be appointed to inquire into the mode of granting and renewing leases of the landed and other property of the bishops, deans and chapters, and other ecclesiastical bodies of England and Wales, and into a probable amount of any increased value which might be obtained by an improved management, with a due consideration to the interests of the established church, and of the present lessees of such property."

The house then went into a committee of supply, and discussed the miscellaneous estimates. The items, for the most part, were voted without a division.

An interview had taken place between the queen dowager and the Princess Victoria, which is described as having been of the most gratifying nature.

The accounts from the country are remarkably favorable as regards the approaching harvest.

The cotton and money markets remained about the same as by the previous advices.

The following is the prevailing gossip:

The dutchess of Sutherland as mistress of the robes, stands at the head of queen Victoria's family. The marchioness of Lanesdown holds the office somewhat curiously entitled, in her ladyship's case, "groom of the stole," yet such we believe to be the tradition of it, so at least was it in the days of queen Anne. Subordinate to these two distinguished ladies of the bedchamber, two of whom were stated yesterday to have been nominated in the persons of the marchioness of Tavistock and lady Claremont.

Two maids of honor have likewise been appointed viz: Miss Pitt (daughter of Lord Rivers), and the bishop of Rochester's daughter, Miss Murray. To none of these promotions or appointments rather, in so far as concerns the individual merits or qualities of the noble personages who have obtained them can any shadow of just objection be stated.

The choice of Lanesdown, as a member of the royal household, the Times objects to, as being the wife of a member of a whig O'Connell cabinet.

THE BRITISH QUEEN.—In reply to the inquiry whether Queen Victoria is at liberty to marry whom she chooses, the Boston Daily Advertiser says:—"Before she came to the crown, she was by law prohibited, with the other members, male or female, of the royal family, to marry without the consent of the King. Being herself sovereign, of course the restraint is removed, and there is no other person whose consent she is required to obtain. By a statute of the first William and Mary, however, it is provided, that any person who shall profess popish religion, and marry a papist, shall be excluded and be forever incapable to inherit, possess or enjoy the crown and government of the realm; and in such a case, the people would be absolved from their allegiance, and the crown and gov-

ernment would descend to such person, protestant, as would inherit the same in case the person so professing or marrying were naturally dead. With this exception, we are not aware that there is any restraint upon the free choice of a husband by the Queen, independently of the will and consent of any one."

WILLIAM THE FOURTH IN THE CITY OF N. Y.—Our city, it appears was once the residence of the late king of England.—When he was stationed here during the revolution a bold plan was conceived to carry him off from among his friends and comrades. The deviser of this daring project was Colonel Ogden, a gallant officer in the revolutionary army, and who with the regiment was stationed in New Jersey. At this time the prince was living on the shore, with Admiral Digby, and as no danger was apprehended, their quarters were very slightly guarded; Ogden's plan was to land secretly, in a stormy night, with a small and bold band, to capture and carry off the Admiral and the prince, and to take them to New Jersey. Washington sanctioned the plan because he thought if successful, he would sooner, and better make terms with England for the acknowledgement of American independence. His directions to Ogden (dated 28th March, 1782) were that no insult or indignity should be offered to the Admiral or to the prince, and that they should be conveyed to congress. The plan was not executed. Sir Henry Clinton got a hint of it, and took care that the guards should be doubled, and every precaution taken for the security of the Admiral and prince. The plan was thus disappointed.—N. Y. Express.

ALARMING FIRES.—Within the brief space between seven on Saturday evening and 10 on Sunday evening, our city has been alarmed with no less than four several fires.

The first was in the cabinet workshop of Messrs Lines and Chamberlin, in Orange street, which was the result of the accident. The fire took place in the third story of the building, from a fire place, from around which the shavings had been swept a few minutes previous, among which it is supposed, a spark had fallen, and in the absence of the workmen kindled unseen. Considerable damages were done though the flames was soon arrested. Fully insured, engine No. 4 deserves great credit for the promptitude with which it was on the ground on this occasion, and its efficient services, for which the company received twenty dollars on the spot.

The second was a barn and shed, belonging to Messrs. John S. Mitchell and Anson T. Colt, at Barnesville, adjoining the bridge. This was entirely consumed, and the fire was undoubtedly the act of an incendiary. The barn had been for some days unoccupied—the lower part made fast, and no proper person had been in with the light, two men were seen to escape from the premises by those who first observed the flame and gave the alarm—Loss \$500—no insurance.

The third was of the new brick dwelling house of Mr. Warner, Treasurer of Yale College, situated at the head of Crown on Howe-street. This was caused by some children playing with matches, which communicated to some shavings. Little damage was done.

The fourth was of a barn opposite the burying ground, on the canal belonging to Mr. Glover Mansfield, which was entirely destroyed. This was the work of an incendiary.

There can be but little doubt, from the above circumstances, that our city is infested with some desperate scoundrels who hesitate at no means to deprecate the public. The vigilance of the watchmen should be doubled, and some further measures taken for the protection of the public, for if impunity should induce the incendiaries to make their attempt in the heart of the city, at a propitious moment for mischief, the injury would be incalculable. The watch should be doubled and every good citizen strictly on his guard.

P. S. since writing the above we have been informed, as an evidence of the energy and efficiency of our city police, that the fire at Barnesville, and also that last near the burial ground, were in both instances discovered by the Watch, the last by a sentinel stationed in the observatory of the Franklin Building, who gave the timely alarm. The Watch was increased last evening, and will be still further increased this evening, and every precaution taken by the city authorities to insure the public safety. The Mayor it will be seen, has issued his proclamation, offering a reward of \$100 for the apprehension of the incendiaries.—New Haven Con. Her.

THE CROWN OF HANOVER.—The following state document was subscribed by the late King William the IV., previous to his decease; for the settlement of the succession thereby established, it follows that Hanover cannot be re-united to Great Britain, except by the death of the present queen without issue.—N. Y. Com.

To remove every doubt respecting the order of succession to the throne, among the members of the collective houses of Brunswick and Luneberg now living, and in conformity with the regulations contained in this and the preceding chapter, we farther expressly de-

clare that, in the case of the death of us, the reigning king, the succession shall be first our brother, Prince Ernest Augustus, duke of Cumberland, and his male line; if that should become extinct, in our brother the Royal Prince Augustus Frederick, Duke of Sussex, for his person and eventually his male descendants from a duly assorted marriage, conformably to the family law, which he may in future contract. And if their male branch should become extinct, in our brother the Royal Prince Adolphus Frederick, Duke of Cambridge, and his male descendants; and lastly, if this too should become extinct the crown shall go to his Serene Highness the reigning Duke William of Brunswick.

SIR F. B. HEAD, Lieut. Governor of Upper Canada, landed at this place on Sunday last, from the Great Britain on his way down the lake. He is a man of plain unostentatious appearance, which adds to his reputation for talent without detracting anything from his dignity of character. Sir Francis has seen service having served in the Peninsula war under Lord Wellington, in that tremendous struggle which engaged the arms and involved the destiny of all Europe.—Com. Her.

EXTENSION OF THE MIAMI CANAL.—The acting commissioner, T. G. Bates, advertises that proposals will be received on the 10 of september next, at Sidney, for constructing "17 miles of canal along the valley of the great Miami from the mouth of Loramies Creek, to a point six miles above Sidney." And on the 15th of the same month, proposals will be received at the town of St. Marys, for constructing about 26 miles of canal along the valleys of Loramies and St. Mary's from a point 5 miles above Piqua to the town of St. Mary's.—Western Star.

MR. B. BADGER, well known as the amiable and industrious editor in former years of "Badgers Weekly Messenger," but who has since been driven by misfortunes and sorrows to the verge of madness, is now in the Lunatic Asylum (fit place for those who will wear out their energies and derange their brains in such a thankless vocation!) at Hartford Conn. But the spell is too strong upon him to be cured by even such a reward; and, since an editor he still sighs to be, he has been kindly furnished with types and allowed to edit, print and issue a small folio newspaper entitled the "Retreat Gazette."—We do not believe Mr. Badger properly insane, though we own the starting of a newspaper in these times makes strongly against our impression; but we shall be happy to hear that the evening of his days pass away tranquilly and happily, as they better may in the Lunatic Asylum than in the business world just at present.—New Yorker.

IMPROVING THE STOCK.—The great Rhinoceros, belonging to the travelling caravan of animals, recently nullified, and withdrew from the union. He was at the last accounts wandering about the low grounds of Ohio, making merry with the good things of the west, a plenty of water and a profusion of green corn—what more could he desire—his horn is exalted, but if he does not give up before winter, he will stand a chance of tasting a climate such as he did not find in the south of Asia, a season not to be spent in mud-puddles and corn fields. There is such a thing as having too much liberty.—U. S. Gaz.

SHIPWRECK.—We were informed yesterday, by the passengers on board the Bunkerhill Hill, that on Wednesday last, when above Mackinaw, in Lake Michigan; they discovered a wreck, and found it to be the big North Carolina, which had evidently been capsized in a sudden squall, the canvass being all set, but then floating, much torn, her stern being about 10 feet out of the water and about perpendicular. The crew of the Bunker Hill cut a hole into the cabin, but could find no vestige of either crew or passengers.

The Brig was from Chicago, and it is said had a full complement of passengers. The yawl being missing, it is hoped that a part or the whole may have escaped.—Dunkirk Beacon.

ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE AND BANKS.—The legislature of Illinois has adjourned, having passed a law legalizing the suspension of specie payments until the next session, upon condition that the banks during their suspension of payment, shall not sell specie, make dividends, or increase their circulation beyond their capital: and will receive and pay out the state deposits without charge, furnish monthly statements, and only call on their debtors for 10 per cent. every renewal. This act passed the senate by a vote of 25 to 10, and the house 54 to 30.

The same day the house passed a resolve, "that all legislative action upon the subject of banks was unwise, unjust, impolitic and dishonest, and ought not to be tolerated."

The repeal of the internal improvement law failed, and authority was given the governor to borrow money to carry them on.—Cincinnati Gazette.

The Presbyterians have published a new form of matrimony. It approaches that of the English church, and the ring is preserved.